

## SALVADOREANS RAN AWAY.

### NICARAGUANS WIN VARIOUS ENCOUNTERS ON LAND.

Commander Fullam Said to Have Forbidden Capture of Puerto Cortez—U. S. and Mexico Will Try to Stop War—American Gunners Sent Shell into the Omatepe.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 23.—According to despatches received here to-day the allied forces of Salvador and Honduras, under personal command of President Bonilla of Honduras sustained another severe defeat at the hands of the Nicaraguan troops, aided by Honduran revolutionists near the town of Marita, yesterday.

The battle is said to have lasted for more than ten hours, following an attack made by the Nicaraguan forces, and resulted in the Honduran and Salvadoran troops taking to their heels. The defeated soldiers threw away their guns and ammunition in their flight. The Nicaraguan troops pursued them.

The very brief despatches which have reached here report the capture of Gen. Barahona, the Minister of War of Honduras, Gen. Lee Christmas, the American soldier of fortune, who recently offered his services to Bonilla, and several other prominent officers whose names were not given.

Gen. Barahona was severely wounded in the engagement, and this led to his capture. The number of killed and wounded was not given in the despatches, but it is said that the loss was heavy on both sides.

Later a report reached here to the effect that the Honduran revolutionists captured about 300 soldiers, an equal number of rifles and three small cannon, together with ammunition. About 200 of the Honduran troops deserted to the revolutionists during the battle.

It is estimated that 200 were killed and wounded during the battle. According to information given over here the towns of Sula, San Pedro, La Esperanza and Canayagua have declared themselves in favor of the revolution.

Early to-night came the report of another battle near Choluteca, in which the Nicaraguan forces were successful against the Honduran troops and their Salvadoran allies. Aided by artillery, the Nicaraguan troops captured the intrenchments manned by the allies, but the despatches do not give details of the engagements.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Senator Corea, the Nicaraguan Minister to the United States, received a despatch from his government to-day announcing that the land forces of Nicaragua had won a decisive victory over the Honduran troops and their allies near Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras.

The Honduran troops made a determined stand for the purpose of preventing the onward march of the Nicaraguans but were routed with heavy losses, according to the despatch. With the advance thus gained, the Nicaraguans are expected to push on at once and hope to capture the capital of Honduras within a few days.

Senator Corea's despatch also states that the Nicaraguans have succeeded in capturing the towns of San Pedro Sula, Esperanza, Pas and Comayagua, on the north coast of Honduras. The first named is said to be the key to the situation so far as the operations against the town of Puerto Cortez are concerned. The United States gunboat Marietta, however, is off this port and it is understood that Commander Fullam served notice yesterday upon the Nicaraguans that he will not permit any operations against Puerto Cortez which will interfere with international trade.

The port is of some importance as a shipping center and has large foreign interests, chiefly American. In view of this, Commander Fullam has taken it upon him to enter the town with an armed force, although this seems to be the only thing which can hinder them.

Meanwhile tentative negotiations are in progress through the Mexican Ambassador, Señor Creel, to bring about a cessation of hostilities. It has been believed here that the United States will not intervene in the dispute between the United States and Mexico to settle the differences between the fighting Central American countries would be when a decisive engagement had been fought and it was evident that one side or the other would be forced to yield.

It appears now that that time has arrived, as for several days the Nicaraguans have been pressing their enemies hard and have succeeded in routing them on every turn, according to the despatches which have been received in Washington. This country and Mexico believe that the struggle has progressed far enough and that if it is allowed to continue foreign interests may be placed in jeopardy. Therefore the effort to have the dispute settled will be renewed with a determination to have it brought to a successful issue.

In view of her successes, however, it is improbable that Nicaragua may be induced upon her demands, particularly that the reported alliance of Honduras, Salvador and Guatemala against Nicaragua shall be broken up.

CRIBA, Honduras, March 18.—The city of Trujillo fell into the hands of the Nicaraguans yesterday and will probably remain with them for some time. The Nicaraguans took the town by surprise, for there was practically no garrison or no resistance.

The Nicaraguans are well intrenched. Their war fleet, consisting of the Omatepe, the San Jacinto, two gasoline schooners and several smaller vessels, are in desperate straits, because they have no coal or gasoline, and if the Hondurans should come along with their vessels they could capture them. They are planning a descent on Puerto Cortez.

The Nicaraguan expedition under command of Gen. Juan J. Estrada, about 700 strong, sailed from Bluefields on Feb. 24, going to Great Corn Island, where the men were drilled. They then put in at Prinzipsulo, Nicaragua, for a few days, and then sailed northward for Cape Gracias. They crept slowly toward Ceiba, and there they were reinforced by a large detachment of Honduran insurgents.

Nicaraguans landed about a mile west of the city. The Hondurans scammed up the mountain where they had a field piece mounted, and they fired one shot at the warship Omatepe and missed her by about twenty-five yards. The Nicaraguans then occupied the intrenchments and threw up earthworks all around the city.

Two hundred and fifty Hondurans started

## DEADHEADED AS SERGEANTS.

### TEN CAPTURED BY POLICE DISGUISED AS TICKET CHOPPERS.

Four Railmen Among Those Who Sought Free Rides, Three on Bogus Shields—Six Civilians Arrested With Various Badges—One Was Police Department Auditor.

Twenty-five policemen disguised as ticket choppers went to work on the elevated lines and in the subway yesterday to nab the deadheads who have been using badges of all descriptions to travel on free. By nightfall six civilians were under arrest charged with impersonating officers, and four patrolmen who displayed detective sergeant's shields, three of them bogus but good imitations, found themselves in hot water. The policemen were not arrested, but two of them were immediately transferred from details which they have been holding down to outlying precincts, and to-morrow all four will have charges preferred against them.

Not long ago Second Deputy Commissioner Bugher was informed that more than two hundred shields were shown daily to the ticket choppers on the Interborough lines instead of tickets, and straightway he got into communication with General Manager Hedley. All members of the Police Department with the rank of sergeant or higher are privileged to ride free when they display their badges. But the ticket choppers reported that many queer looking tins were thrust into their faces by hurrying men, and Commissioner Bugher concluded that the subway and elevated lines were being hounded.

Mr. Bugher put Sgt. Becker in charge of a squad of men drafted from all over the city and had them put on the uniforms of ticket choppers. The cops chopped tickets from early morning until long after the rush hours at night, at the same time keeping their eyes open for badger.

One of the first to be nabbed was Policeman Thomas P. Trayer, who is a plain clothes man on Inspector Dillon's staff. He hurried past the ticket chopper at the Grand Central station in the subway after showing a gold badge that closely resembled a sergeant's. Roundsman Sweeney, who was the ticket chopper, called him back and demanded to be allowed to examine the badge.

"G'wan and quit yer kiddin'," said Trayer. "That's the goods all right." And then he made for a train. Sweeney was after him in a second, and upon overtaking him at the door of the train displayed his own shield and told the cop he was wanted at Police Headquarters.

At the subway station at 145th street and Eighth avenue, where Sgt. Moud and Roundsman Dobson were taking turns at chopping tickets, Policeman John Bayler, a plain clothes cop of Inspector Nally's staff, sauntered along and flashed a gold "tin." He was held up and the badge, which was an imitation of a detective sergeant's shield, was taken from him. He was escorted down to Headquarters, where he confessed that he had been using the bogus badge right along.

Frank Neuberth, a patrolman attached to the telephone bureau at Police Headquarters, walked past a disguised sleuth who was chopping tickets at the bridge station of the subway, thrust a piece of yellow metal in the chopper's face and hurried on. Roundsman Sweeney dropped the lever, and although a crowd of people took the chance to do the Interborough out of their fares, the roundsman went after his man and nabbed him as he was boarding a train. The yellow metal proved to be an exact counterpart of a sergeant's badge. Sweeney confiscated the bogus badge and ordered Neuberth to report forthwith to Police Headquarters.

Mr. Bugher got a tip that Policeman George W. Lyon, who does clerical work on Inspector McLeary's staff, had a detective sergeant's badge. Bugher telephoned to McLeary's office to have Lyon report at Headquarters and bring down some return blanks. When Lyon stepped into the Second Deputy's office Capt. Bugher ordered him to turn over the badge he had.

"I ain't got a detective's tin," he said; "never had one in my life."

"All right," said Capt. Bugher, "but I'm going to have you searched anyhow."

Lyon got soured then and forthwith drew a genuine shield, which he had been carrying for the last six years. He said he had found it and had been using it ever since. The Second Deputy immediately remanded him from clerical duty and sent him out on patrol for the Fifth street station. Plain Clothes Man Bayler also lost his snug berth and was shipped out to pound the walk in Newtown. Neuberth and Bayler will get theirs to-morrow.

The first civilian arrested was Jeremiah J. Bacon, formerly an auditor in the Police Department and now an accountant in the Controller's office. He displayed a regular detective sergeant's badge at the City Hall station of the Third avenue elevated line and was put under arrest by a ticket chopper cop. He was arraigned in the Tombs police court before Magistrate Sweetser on a charge of impersonating an officer, but before a representative of the Interborough road could get there Sweetser discharged him. The police, however, confiscated the badge, which had been in Bacon's possession for several years. He would not explain how he got it.

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William Murphy, 34 years old, of 330 East Fifty-third street, an examiner in the Department of Finance, Thomas McKinley, a bartender, Harry Dondery and Patrick Campbell were the others arrested. Two had badges of private detectives and one an Exempt Fireman's badge.

Latest Marine Intelligence. Arrived: St. Philadelphia, Southampton, March 16.

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## T.F.R. ANON RAILROAD PROBLEMS.

### Says the Roads Should Be Taken Out of Wall Street—Financial Situation.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Thomas F. Ryan of New York spent a few hours here this morning on his way to his country home at Oak Ridge, Va. He went to his house at 1730 I street, where Mrs. Ryan is staying, but he did not call on any of the Government officers. To a reporter who asked him if he came here to talk with President Roosevelt Mr. Ryan said:

"No, I don't expect to see the President. I am on my way to my place at Oak Ridge, Va., for rest. Besides, there is not much more I can do affecting the problems now confronting the President."

"You mean the railroad problems?"

"Yes, I mean the railroad situation. The railroads are really owned by the people and not by Wall Street brokers. They should be taken out of Wall Street and the stock quotation tickets should be taken out of the railroad offices. The railroad officers and the practical railroad men who are charged with the responsibility of operating the railroads should be in absolute control. They should welcome every opportunity to confer with the President, aiding him in his efforts to reach a solution that will be fair and just to the country and the corporations and insure strict obedience to the law."

"What is your view of the present financial situation?"

"One of the bad features of the situation is that every money centre in the world is finding use for its capital in the promotion of home industries and is using every effort to prevent its money from going into speculation, and while I think we have money enough to take care of the legitimate business of the country I do not believe we can draw very largely from European money centres that there is enough to carry on an active stock speculation in Wall Street."

"I think it is the duty of the money lenders to frown upon any undue speculative movement in any direction. They should husband their resources and be prepared to furnish legitimate business with the necessary capital and the money necessary to move the tremendous crops that we are likely to have this year."

## MADDED OUT OF OFFICE.

### The Retired Third Assistant Postmaster-General Gives Out a Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Edwin C. Madden, who retired from the office of Third Assistant Postmaster-General yesterday, has given out a statement in which he says:

"I wish the commercial bodies and citizens who have supported and commended my work to understand that I am not leaving the task unfinished for any reason over which I myself had control, and that so far as they gave me their encouragement and support it is appreciated and it was helpful in a most discouraging task."

"My appointment in 1900 was secured through the recommendation of the railroad labor organizations, I myself being a member of one of them. I have had their support all along in the serious conflicts which have taken place. But for their confidence and support I might long ago have been dropped, the interests affected adversely were so powerful. The accomplishments speak for themselves. Whatever the benefit to the public may be, some measure of appreciation is due the railroad men."

## BRANDRETH YACHT OFF AGAIN.

### A New Start for the Unknown, With Balloon and Motorcycles.

The auxiliary yawl Taormina sailed yesterday for everywhere, passing Quarantine at 11:40 A. M. and then concealing herself from the observation of all shore lookouts between the Narrows and the Hook. Unless she bumps into lights, buoys, schooners, tugs and liners she may get started on her three years' voyage of discovery that, according to schedule, will take in most of the Atlantic below this latitude, all of the South Pacific and the chief rivers of South America. The main object of the cruise is to convert Ralph Brandreth into an all around skipper and incidentally to cure him of his unbalanced ideas. But for their confidence and support I might long ago have been dropped, the interests affected adversely were so powerful. The accomplishments speak for themselves. Whatever the benefit to the public may be, some measure of appreciation is due the railroad men."

Capt. Lovelace, who used to run the Colombian navy, of which he was Admiral, Rear Admiral and Captain, has charge of the Taormina. He is a machinist, aeronaut, engineer and motorcycleist besides being a master. With him is Dr. Franz Biederman von Tubber, physician, ethnologist, photographer and all-around scientist. The doctor has the skipper will use the balloon that he has brought with him to take pictures and will take pictures from far aloft of the configuration of imperfectly explored places so that geographers may make proper maps. The doctor, the skipper and young Mr. Brandreth will take inland snags on motorcycles at all places that have enough inland trails to explore and will capture or kill any strange beasts and birds they may see. The young Mr. Brandreth is a third mate and will have to be good if he wants to become a captain.

The Taormina made an effort to get away toward her various destinations in February. A four masted schooner ran into her, and then she collided with a steel barge towed by an ocean tug and came back and repaired.

## CROWD HARRIES A MOTORMAN.

### His Car Ran Down and Killed Little Girl and Trouble Follows.

The police reserves of the East 104th street station had some trouble last night in getting Alfred Axelsson, a motorman, to the station house out of the hands of a crowd after his car ran down and killed seven-year-old Sadie Cohen of 2194 Second avenue at 112th street and that avenue. Sadie was sent out by her mother at 5:30 last night, the girl starting to cross the avenue and did not see the car until it was too late for her to get out of the way.

When the car was jacked up the child's body was found lying under the front of the truck and out to pieces. The crowd became so excited then that a call for the reserves was sent in to the East 104th street station. The police had to use their clubs to clear the avenue. Axelsson was taken to the station a prisoner on the charge of homicide, and later paroled in the custody of an official of the Interborough Company.

Operation on Vanderbilt Boy. NEWPORT, R. I. March 23.—William Vanderbilt, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, underwent a slight operation for throat trouble this afternoon at Oaklawn Farm, the Vanderbilt country place in Portsmouth. The operation was performed by Drs. Ercy and Jacoby of Newport.

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## MRS. PRENTICE IN RUNAWAY.

### ROCKEFELLER'S DAUGHTER AND GRANDSON ESCAPE INJURY.

Carriage Struck by Sixth Avenue Car at Twenty-fifth Street—Horses Bolt and Lose Damaged Wagon When They Meet a Truck—Coachman Badly Hurt.

Mrs. E. Parmalee Prentice, the daughter of John D. Rockefeller, her six-year-old son, John Prentice, and Margaret Weindorf, Mrs. Prentice's maid, escaped injury shortly after noon yesterday when the carriage they were riding in was struck by a south-bound Sixth avenue car at West Twenty-fifth street. The carriage was smashed and thrown on its side. The team bolted half a block with the wrecked vehicle dragging after it.

Mrs. Prentice, her son and the maid escaped without a scratch. Thomas Stapleton, a coachman for Mr. Rockefeller, who was driving the carriage, was thrown on his head and sustained serious injuries. He was taken to the New York Hospital, where it was discovered that his skull probably was fractured in addition to his having a serious cut over the eye and contusions of the shoulders and arms.

Mrs. Prentice left her home at 5 West Thirty-third street a few minutes before noon to drive to the West Twenty-third street ferry. There she was to meet her husband and together they were to journey down to Lakewood to spend Sunday with Mr. Rockefeller. The coachman drove down Fifth avenue to Twenty-fifth street in one of Mr. Rockefeller's carriages and was going west on this street when the smashup came. A southbound Sixth avenue car in charge of Motorman Michael King and Conductor Charles Nagan was approaching the Twenty-fifth street corner at a good pace when Mr. Rockefeller's coachman, thinking that the motorman was going to stop his car on the north side of the street, drove onto the tracks.

The car hit the carriage fair in the middle. The rear hind wheel was smashed so that nothing remained of it but the hub. The side and rear of the body of the carriage were torn open, the windows shattered and both carriage lamps broken. For a few feet the carriage went careening along on the two uninjured wheels on the far side. It would have tipped over on that side with the impact of the car had it not hit a pillar of the elevated railroad, throwing it back to the curb side again. Then, bumping along on the hub of the rear wheel and the front wheel, which was dashed, the carriage was drawn by the two frightened horses down Twenty-fifth street. Mrs. Prentice thrust her head through the windowless door and screamed for assistance.

About half a block east of Sixth avenue two trucks moving east almost abreast served to check for a minute the flight of the horses and save the occupants from the injury they would have suffered had they been dragged further in the ruined carriage. The runaway team tried to plunge between the trucks and jammed the carriage between the inside wheels of the two trucks. The sudden halting of the carriage jerked the runaways back on their haunches and pulled out the pole from the Rockefeller carriage.

As people ran to the assistance of the woman and child in the wrecked carriage the horses galloped down Twenty-fifth street, dragging the carriage pole, still fast to the traces, behind them. They were not stopped until they struck a wagon at Eleventh avenue. Thomas Burns, a laborer, caught the team and held on until a policeman came up to relieve him.

Three Tenderloin policemen hurried to the wrecked vehicle, where it lay wedged between the two trucks. After they had pried off one of the doors Mrs. Prentice, her son and the maid were helped out of the tangle of wood and upholstery. Mrs. Prentice was badly shaken and somewhat unnerved by the incident. Her boy and the maid, like Mrs. Prentice, did not have a scratch or a cut on them, despite the fact that the broken glass from the windows had showered on their laps.

Mrs. Prentice went to a store near by and while she was gone the maid down to the Twenty-third street ferry to call for Mr. Prentice, who was waiting there to join his family, of the accident. Mr. Prentice hurried up in the cab and took his wife and the rest of the party back with him to the ferry. They crossed to Jersey City and took the early afternoon train to Lakewood.

When the policemen picked up Stapleton, the coachman, they saw that he was in need of medical attention. He was taken to the New York Hospital, where it was discovered that his skull probably was fractured in addition to his having a serious cut over the eye and contusions of the shoulders and arms.

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## SENATOR FRAWLEY MARRIED.

### Wedding Was on Dec. 20 and is Only Just Announced.

Though State Senator James J. Frawley, Tammany leader of the Twenty-sixth Assembly district, was married December 20 last to Miss Lillian Gannon, daughter of Edmund Gannon, a broker, the fact was not known except to a few intimate friends until last night.

Senator and Mrs. Frawley are living at 165 East Ninety-fifth street. The marriage was performed by the Rev. Father Thomas H. Moore in Central Park and was witnessed by a large number of friends. A gold medal was awarded her for her bravery.

Miriam Morris of White Plains, who said she had been married to James J. Frawley at White Plains, secured a divorce from him in Sioux Falls, S. D., two years ago. She also got the custody of a young son. Senator Frawley declared at the time that he knew nothing about the woman who obtained the divorce.

## PENROSE NOT GUILTY.

### Not Evidence Enough to Establish Guiltability in Brownsville Affair.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 23.—After considering the arguments of counsel in the case the members of the court which was convened at Fort Sam Houston for the court-martial of Major Penrose to-night brought in a verdict of not guilty. Col. Leroy Brown, president of the court, made the announcement. Beyond that nothing was given out for publication and will not be until the findings of the court have been reviewed by Gen. Macaskay, commander of the Department of Texas, who has the final power to review the case.

The President has no right to a review in this case. When the announcement was made Major Penrose got an ovation from his fellow officers at Fort Sam Houston and to-night he received telegrams of congratulations from his army friends all over the United States. Col. Glen, who conducted the defense, and his assistant, Capt. Murphy, were also congratulated.

The statement made by Col. Brown was that there was not evidence enough to establish the culpability of Major Penrose and therefore he was found not guilty. The written findings in the case, which will be very long, will go into the whole case and will pass on the question of whether or not the negroes were guilty of the raid at Brownsville.

## 50,000 TRAINMEN MAY STRIKE.

### Vote is Said to Be Against Concession Offered by Managers.

CHICAGO, March 23.—More than 100 members of the sub-committee appointed by the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Order of Railway Conductors to treat with the special committee of the general managers' association on the subject of wage increases arrived in the city to-day prepared to make official canvass of the strike votes sent out a month ago by the unions.

It has been announced that the ballots will record the desire of the trainmen to refuse the latest concessions of the road managers. Union leaders said to-day that a strike of 50,000 trainmen on the railway systems of the West would probably result unless the managers agreed to their terms on wages and working conditions.

The resumption of the conferences with the road managers is expected as soon as the count of the ballot is completed. Railway officials are of the opinion that a strike will not result and that no radical measures will be taken by either side. Members of the managers' association are holding daily conferences with committees of engineers employed by the Western roads for wage advances.

## MEASLES ON A BATTLESHIP.

### An Epidemic on Board the Georgia, Now at Hampton Roads.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—An epidemic of measles has broken out on the new battleship Georgia, now at Hampton Roads, which will prevent her sailing for some days from joining the Atlantic fleet under Rear Admiral Evans, off Guantanamo. A month ago twenty-five or thirty of the bluejackets on board the battleship suffered from slight attacks of the disease, but it was supposed that it had been entirely eradicated.

The ship successfully completed her final trial this week and it was the intention of the Navy Department to send her immediately to join the Atlantic fleet in order that she might complete her target practice and return to Norfolk for the opening of the Jamestown Exposition, in which the navy is to participate. Orders have been issued for her to sail from Hampton Roads to-morrow, but owing to the outbreak of measles it has been necessary to cancel the orders and defer the sailing. The fear is expressed that if the Georgia were to go now to Guantanamo the epidemic might become worse in a warm climate and seriously interfere with the work.

## HIT BY SENATOR CLARK'S AUTO.

### Boy Knocked Down, but Not Hurt—Owner Not in the Car.

Signit Johanson, an eleven-year-old Swedish boy living at 215 West 147th street, was knocked down by an automobile belonging to Senator William A. Clark at 17th street and Eighth avenue yesterday afternoon. The Senator was not in the machine, which was driven by Arthur Peterson. The boy was picked up and carried to his home, where it was found that he was in no wise injured, though considerably frightened.

## FALLIERES RECEIVES WHITE.

### New Ambassador to France Greeted at the Elysee With Full Honors.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN. PARIS, March 23.—Henry White, the new American Ambassador to France, presented his credentials this afternoon to President Fallieres, who received him at the Palace of the Elysee with full Ambassadorial honors.